



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Bastian et al.  
U.S. Serial No.: 09/536,736  
Filed: March 28, 2000  
Title: Method for Isolating and Purifying  
Nucleic Acids On Surfaces

ART UNIT: 1636

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**RESPONSE TO AN OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an Office Action, dated August 8, 2007, in the above-identified application.

A Petition pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time along with the fee according to 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) are filed concurrently herewith.

No other fee is believed to be due in this application, however, to avoid abandonment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fee required for this response to Deposit Account No. 50-0268.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

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